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Chullora Waste Transfer Terminal

Frequently Asked Questions - October 2026

Proposed Chullora Waste Transfer Terminal

The Chullora Waste Transfer Terminal is a proposed facility aimed at enhancing waste management in Sydney by increasing transport efficiency and sustainability. It will collect residual waste from across Sydney, transfer it into sealed containers, and transport it by rail to the Parkes Energy Recovery Facility (PER), reducing dependence on trucks.

The terminal will also manage Food Organics and Garden Organics (FOGO), which will be sent by road to a composting site. This project is essential to address the upcoming landfill capacity shortage in New South Wales, expected by 2030, as outlined in the NSW Waste and Sustainable Materials Strategy 2041.

Q: What is residual waste?

Residual waste is what is left over waste material that remains after recycling and resource recovery has been completed.

Q: Why was Chullora chosen as the proposed site?

Chullora was selected because it is an established industrial and logistics precinct with direct access to rail infrastructure and major freight routes. The site is well-positioned to receive waste across metropolitan Sydney and facilitate its transfer by rail to the proposed Parkes Energy Recovery facility.

Q: How will waste be managed at the facility?

The facility is designed to process residual municipal solid waste from households and businesses, along with Food Organics and Garden Organics (FOGO) waste collected by local councils. It will operate in strict accordance with all relevant regulatory standards. Waste collection vehicles will unload materials within an enclosed transfer station, effectively containing odors and minimising spillage. From there, specialised preload compaction equipment will transfer the waste into sealed rail containers, ensuring safe and efficient transportation to the Parkes Energy Recovery facility.

Q: How will Cleanaway manage any impacts from the Waste Transfer Terminal?

Any project impacts will be identified during the preparation of the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), with proposed mitigation strategies and management plans submitted as part of this process. The Environmental Impact Statement is anticipated to be publicly exhibited in early 2027. Traffic assessments are being undertaken to understand potential impacts and identify measures to minimise effects on the surrounding road network and nearby communities.

Q: How long will the Chullora Waste Transfer Terminal project take to complete?

The Chullora Waste Transfer Terminal will take approximately three years to prepare and construct, with ongoing consultation between Cleanaway, Bankstown City Council and relevant government agencies on the Environmental Impact Statement.

Q: How will Cleanaway engage with the local community to inform them of the exhibition?

We have contacted key stakeholders including Bankstown City Council, State Government agencies and near neighbours about the Chullora Waste Transfer Terminal Project; you can visit our project website at www.cleanaway.com.au/chullora, which will be updated as we progress through the process.

Prior to final approval, we will keep the community informed through mail, email, social media, media releases and our website, with opportunities to provide feedback. A Community Reference Group will be formed to discuss the project in more detail, and community briefings will be offered for anyone wanting to learn more.

Q: What are Cleanaway's priorities?

Cleanaway prioritises compliance with regulatory and best practice standards to ensure safety and environmental protection across its facilities. Our procedures are grounded in a thorough understanding of regulations, industry standards, risk mitigation, and continuous improvement.

Guided by the principle "Making a sustainable future possible together" we focus on envisioning the future and taking immediate action to benefit our employees, community, environment, and customers. Committed to proactive foresight, decisive action, and responsible accountability, we uphold strong corporate governance to drive sustainable initiatives.

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Korean: “Cleanaway를 인용해 주세요.”

Arabic: مَسَا رَكَذِي جَرِي Cleanaway

Vietnamese: Vui lòng nêu tên Cleanaway